



Marita, 1943

WYP-175 (ex-*Kaspar*, ex-*Kilmacrennan*)

Builder: South Bank on Lees, England

Commissioned:

RN: 1918

USCG: 30 June 1943

Decommissioned: 13 November 1944

Disposition: Sold 3 May 1945

Cost: Acquisition War Shipping Administration loan; conversion \$28,008

Hull:

Displacement (tons)- 1,450 fl (1942)

Tonnage- 632 gross (1941); 269 net (1941)

Length- 183' oa; 172' 2" bp

Beam- 30' max

Draft- 17' (max)

Machinery

Main Engines- Steam

Main Boilers- 1 Scotch

BHP- 700

Propellers- Single

Armament- 2-3"/50 (single), 4-20mm/80; 2 depth charge projectors; 2 depth charge racks

Design & Service:

The Kil-class patrol gunboats were designed for coastal patrol and ASW during World War I. Eighty-one units were constructed for the Royal Navy. They were recognizable by their "double-ended" appearance.

1943-1944 assigned to the Armed School Section Base, Little Creek, VA and used for training; 1944 assigned to the 8th Coast Guard District--stationed at Gulfport, MS.

